

To: Office on Disciplinary Counsel
Re: Edward Miller; Circuit Court Judge

My name is Brenda W. Bryant. I am a resident of [REDACTED] South Carolina. I am 60 years old. I am married to Rickey Bryant for 39 years as of October 26, 2014. The State of S.C. has been my home all my life.

~~The reason I am writing this affidavit is to let the Selection Commission know why I am against the selection of Edward Miller to Circuit Court Judge.~~

In 2010, Alice Perkins, Attorney at law, filed a law suit on my behalf against DDSN the Greenville County Disabilities and Special Needs Board, Tracy Parsons, Teresa Horton and others. Mrs. Perkins filed the lawsuit without a Certificate of Service being filed. An attorney Rodney Pillsbury, attorney for Tracy Parsons, went to the courthouse and got a copy of the lawsuit and filed a motion to have it dismissed. Keep in mind that there was no Certificate of Service nor had Mrs. Parsons been served. According to the Rules of Civil Procedure this is not yet a lawsuit. Pillsbury's motion was granted. Why the judge heard the motion on this matter was the first mistake. The motion was frivolous because there was no lawsuit. First error of procedure. Mrs. Perkins filed a motion to reconsider but accordingly it was never received and at the next hearing Mrs. Perkins attempted proffer proof of mailing her motion but Judge Miller would not accept it and said the order stands. Second error.

I refused to pay Mrs. Parsons what had been ordered and a hearing on a rule to show cause was held. Mrs. Perkins didn't show up for some of the hearings. She was held in willful contempt of court. And I was ordered to pay Mrs. Parson's attorney's fees of almost \$10,000. I filed a notice of intent to appeal before the final hearing and the Court was mortified. Judge Miller stopped the hearing and called the Court of Appeals to verify that my motion/notice of intent to appeal had been filed and it was verified. But Judge Miller knowing that this took the matter out of his court went on to issue a Bench Warrant for my arrest. Third Error.

On the Bench Warrant, it was filed as criminal, not civil. Fourth Error. The language in the warrant was outrageous – one year to death? And was also filed or posted on the NCIC with this error. All this was done in malice toward me. Even though sanctions were imposed on me, they should have been on Mrs. Perkins, the filing attorney, not me. Fifth Error.

Mrs. Perkins never had any repercussions from any of her contempt citations or failure to appear. It was all put on my shoulders and these hearings wasted taxpayer dollars and the time of the Court and all interested parties over the case that was never a law suit since it was not commenced according to the Rules of Civil Procedure.

I am a lay person, but I know that this was not a case that should have been in a Court room one time. But because of Judge Miller and one frivolous motion by an over-zealous attorney it has destroyed my whole family's life.

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The most outrageous thing is the issuance of an illegal Bench Warrant. It is illegal because when the notice of intent to appeal was filed, it took total jurisdiction out of Judge Miller's Court and placed it into the Court of Appeals. Because of this malicious act, it has forced me to remain out of state and has separated me from my spouse.

Witness My Hand this 30 day of Oct, 2014.


Brenda W. Bryant